



His Majesties Message to the House
Of PEERES April 22. 1642.

In answer to a Printed Paper, entituled, *A Question answered how Laws are to be understood and obedience yeelded; (which paper her sends together with this Message)* thinks fit to recommend the consideration of it to his House of Peers, that they may use all possible care and diligence for the finding out the Author, and may give directions to his learned Council, to proceed against him and the publishers of it, in such a way as shall be agreeable to Law and the Course of Justice, as persons who indeavour to stir up Sedition against his Majesty: and his Majesty doubts not, but they will be very sensible, how much their own particular Interest (as well as the publique Government of the Kingdome) is, and must be shaken, if such Licence shall be permitted to hold Factionous spirits, to withdraw his Subjects strict obedience from the Lawes established, by such Seditious and Treasonable distinctions. And of Doctrines of this nature his Majesty doubts not but that their Lordships will publish their great dislike, it being growne into frequent Discourse, and vented in some pulpits (by those desperate turbulent preachers, who are the great promoters of the distempers of this time) that humane Lawes doe not bind the Conscience: Which being once believed, the civill Government and peace of the Kingdome will be quickly dissolved. His Majesty expects a speedy account of their Lordships exemplary Justice upon the Authors and publishers of this paper.